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In re Application of :
KAUL, Vijay Kumar *et al* :
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For: ESSENTIAL OIL WITH CITRONELLOL :
AND ROSE OXIDES . . . :

DECISION

This is a decision on the declaration filed on 21 October 2005 which has been treated under 37 CFR 1.42. No fee is required.

BACKGROUND

On 21 March 2005, the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) mailed a Notification of Missing Requirements indicating that a declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) was required.

On 21 October 2005, applicants filed a response which was accompanied by, *inter alia*, five-month extension and fee and a declaration executed by five of the six joint inventors.

DISCUSSION

The declaration filed with the national stage papers is executed by five of the six named inventors. The fifth named inventor (Hans Raj Negi) is listed as deceased.

37 CFR 1.42 *When the Inventor is Dead*, states, in part:

In case of the death of the inventor, the legal representative (executor, administrator, etc.) of the deceased inventor may make the necessary oath or declaration, and apply for and obtain the patent.

In this case, a legal representative or heir(s) of the deceased inventor must execute the declaration for the deceased inventor. It is also noted that the citizenship, residence and address of the legal representative(s) must be recorded on the

declaration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.497(b)(2).

Hence, the declaration filed 21 October 2005 does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) & (b).

CONCLUSION

For the reason listed above, applicants' petition under 37 CFR 1.42 is **DISMISSED** without prejudice.

Applicants are required to provide an oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) within a time limit of **TWO (2) MONTHS** from the mail date of this decision. Extension of time may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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